

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An electro-optical light modulation element comprising

- a substrate or a plurality of substrates,
- an electrode arrangement,
 - an element or a plurality of elements for polarisation of the light and
- a mesogenic modulation medium, wherein
- the light modulation element is operated at the temperature at which the modulation medium in the unaddressed state is in an optically isotropic phase and
- the mesogenic modulation medium comprises a chiral component, component (A), which consists of one or more chiral compounds, at least one of which has an HTP of $30 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ or more, and
- the mesogenic modulation medium comprises an achiral component, component (B), which consists of one or more achiral compounds,
- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element has a blue phase or
- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element is in the isotropic phase, wherein
- the relative temperature dependence (dV^*_{10}/dT) of the characteristic voltage for 10% relative contrast (V_{10}) of the modulation medium is 30%/degree or less at a temperature of 2° above the characteristic temperature ($T_{\text{char.}}$) in the range of +/- 1° around this temperature.

2. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein

- the electrode arrangement is able to generate an electric field having a significant component parallel to the surface of the mesogenic modulation medium.

3. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein

- the mesogenic modulation medium has a blue phase.

4.– 6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein

- the relative temperature dependence (dV^{*}_{10}/dT) is 23%/degree or less.

8. (Currently Amended) An The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein comprising

- a substrate or a plurality of substrates,
- an electrode arrangement,
 - an element or a plurality of elements for polarisation of the light and
- a mesogenic modulation medium, wherein
- the light modulation element is operated at the temperature at which the modulation medium in the unaddressed state is in an optically isotropic phase and
- the mesogenic modulation medium comprises a chiral component, component (A), which consists of one or more chiral compounds, at least one of which has an HTP of $30 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ or more, and
- the mesogenic modulation medium comprises an achiral component, component (B), which consists of one or more achiral compounds,
- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element has a blue phase or
- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element is in the isotropic phase
and
- the characteristic voltage for 10% relative contrast (V_{10}) at a temperature of 2° above the characteristic temperature ($T_{\text{char.}}$) of the modulation medium in cells is 80 V, preferably 60 V or less.

9. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein

- the mesogenic modulation medium comprises a chiral component, component (A), which consists of two or more chiral compounds.

10. (Currently Amended) An The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 9, wherein comprising

- a substrate or a plurality of substrates,
- an electrode arrangement,
 - an element or a plurality of elements for polarisation of the light and
- a mesogenic modulation medium, wherein
- the light modulation element is operated at the temperature at which the modulation medium in the unaddressed state is in an optically isotropic phase and
- the mesogenic modulation medium comprises a chiral component, component (A), which consists of two or more chiral compounds, at least one of which has an HTP of $30 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ or more, and
- the mesogenic modulation medium comprises an achiral component, component (B), which consists of one or more achiral compounds,
- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element has a blue phase or
- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element is in the isotropic phase,
and
- all the chiral compounds of component (A) have the same sign of the HTP at 20°C in the reference mixture.

11. – 12. (Cancelled)

- 13. (Currently Amended)** An The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein
- a substrate or a plurality of substrates,
 - an electrode arrangement,
 - an element or a plurality of elements for polarisation of the light and
 - a mesogenic modulation medium, wherein
 - the light modulation element is operated at the temperature at which the modulation medium in the unaddressed state is in an optically isotropic phase and
 - the mesogenic modulation medium comprises a chiral component, component (A), which consists of one or more chiral compounds, at least one of which has an HTP of $30 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ or more, and
 - the mesogenic modulation medium comprises an achiral component, component (B), which consists of one or more achiral compounds,
 - the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the

- light modulation element has a blue phase or
 - the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element is in the isotropic phase
- and either
- the dielectric susceptibility ($\epsilon_{av.}$) of the modulation medium at a temperature of 4 degrees above the conversion temperature from the blue phase or from the cholesteric phase into the isotropic phase is 40 or more, or preferably 55 or more.
 - the optical anisotropy at a temperature of 4 degrees below the transition temperature from the cholesteric phase into the isotropic phase is 0.050 or more.

14. (Currently Amended) The electro-optical light modulation element of Claim 4, wherein

- the optical anisotropy at a temperature of 4 degrees below the transition temperature from the cholesteric phase into the isotropic phase is 0.050 or more, preferably 0.080 or more.

15. (Previously Presented) An electro-optical display containing one or more light modulation elements according to Claim 1.

16. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical display according to Claim 15, wherein the display is addressed by means of an active matrix.

17. (Previously Presented) An electro-optical display system containing one or more electro-optical displays according to Claim 15.

18. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical display system according to Claim 17, which is a television screen, computer monitor or as both.

19. – 20. Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) A method for the display of video signals or of digital signals or information, comprising transmitting video signals or digital signals to a display according to Claim 15.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) A mesogenic modulation medium which comprises

- (a) a chiral component, component (A), which consists of one or more chiral compounds at least one of which has an HTP of $30 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ or more, and
- (b) optionally an achiral component, component (B), which consists of one or more achiral compounds,

- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element has a blue phase or
- the mesogenic modulation medium is operated at the temperature at which the light modulation element is in the isotropic phase, wherein
- the relative temperature dependence (dV_{10}/dT) of the characteristic voltage for 10% relative contrast (V_{10}) of the modulation medium is 30%/degree or less at a temperature of 2° above the characteristic temperature ($T_{\text{char.}}$) in the range of +/- 1° around this temperature.

24. – 26. (Cancelled)

27. (Previously Presented) A medium according to Claim 23, having a characteristic temperature in the range from 0°C to 60°C .

28. (Currently Amended) A medium according to Claim 32, wherein the blue phase has a temperature range of at least 5 degreesor more than 5 degrees.

29. (Currently Amended) A medium according to Claim 28, wherein the blue phase has a temperature range of at least 10 degreesor more than 10 degrees.

30. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein component (A) consists of one or more chiral components at least one of which has an HTP of $50 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ or more.

31. (Previously Presented) The electro-optical light modulation element according to Claim 1, wherein component (A) consists of one or more chiral components at least one of which has an HTP of $90 \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ or more.

32. (Currently Amended) A medium according to Claim 23, having a blue phase, with a characteristic temperature in the range from -20°C to 0°C or below to 80°C or above.